

McANENY AND WILCOX AT ODDS OVER SUBWAYS

Borough President Denies That
He's Tied Up With
the B. R. T.

SHORTS SAYS TO HURRY UP

Interborough May Pull Out If
the City Doesn't Decide
This Week.

Personalities crept into the already overstrained subway situation yesterday. William H. Wilcox, chairman of the Public Service Commission, got back from the West in the morning and after he had had time to look over the ground prepared a statement in which he implied more than once that "some members" of the Board of Estimate were tied up with the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, and that the delay in getting to conclusions over the Interborough proposal was thereby accounted for.

Borough President McAneny took the "some members" phrase to apply to himself and assured Mr. Wilcox through a statement that when the subway conference committee meets on Monday morning he will be prepared to present the views of his own board and not those of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company.

At about the same time Theodore F. Shorts, president of the Interborough, was telling the reporters that there was no hope of holding the Interborough's offer for new subways unless the city takes a definite stand early this week.

"I am confident," he said, "that unless action is taken in the first part of next week we shall be compelled to withdraw the present offer."

The Board of Estimate, which meets in special session on Tuesday, will have before it the result of the conference between Mr. McAneny and his associates on the transit committee of the Board of Estimate on the one hand, and Mr. Wilcox and some of the other Public Service Commissioners on the other. The transit committee will have a long session, beginning at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Mr. McAneny in speaking of this meeting yesterday was hopeful that difficulties would be cleared away.

The nearest thing to a conference yesterday was a long telephone conversation between Mr. McAneny and Mr. Wilcox. They exchanged views on certain routes and track arrangements upon which each has definite and varying ideas.

In his statement Mr. Wilcox said that he found certain questions of subway routes to be matters of public discussion, and he wanted the people to understand what the facts were before they made up their minds. He spoke of the Whitehall street tunnel to Brooklyn, originally allotted to the Interborough, and of a Battery tunnel originally allotted to the B. R. T., saying that these had had the unanimous approval of the Board of Estimate.

"It now has the disapproval of Col. Williams (president of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company), and therefore I understand the commission is expected to ratify the serious error it made in having tried to follow the programme formerly agreed upon in joint report," said Mr. Wilcox.

He said he was surprised to see that the Board of Estimate had presented as its reasons for not declaring for the dual system that certain of the routes had not been laid out in detail. This had reference to the resolution passed on Friday by the Board of Estimate by which the Public Service Commission was asked to get to work in the final plotting of routes. Mr. Wilcox replied to this that every line had been authorized already as far as the commission was concerned, with the exception of three or four routes, and that these would be approved as soon as certain details were settled.

Mr. Wilcox, referring to the change in the tunnel dispositions by which the Interborough should give up the Whitehall street tunnel to the B. R. T. and should get a Liberty street tunnel in return, said that this change would cost \$2,000,000. He declared that, with this extra cost in lower Manhattan there would be less money available for outlying districts.

"Possibly," he said, "Col. Williams thinks it won't be necessary to construct any tunnel for the Interborough and that the money thus saved can be used elsewhere on a Brooklyn Rapid Transit system."

The possible illegality of the preferential, which is to be tried out in the courts, did not make it necessary, said Mr. Wilcox, to proceed with too much haste in the preparation of complete plans for the dual system anyhow. He did not believe that the financial backers would lend their money without this question being settled, and this settlement could not be arrived at before July 1.

Mr. Wilcox declared that his commission had never made any promise to the B. R. T. that if it should allow a new offer from the Interborough the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company should then have such routes and connections as it wished. "Whether such promises were made by others can best be answered by them," he said. The commission, for its part, wanted routes that would be beneficial to the whole city and not to one company. As for the Beaver street tunnel, which the commission intended to give to accept Mr. Wilcox understood that the only objection which the Brooklyn company has leveled at it is that there were no stub ends provided for the switching back of Broadway trains. He added that if such an arrangement were made the B. R. T. would keep to per cent. of its trains on this side of the river entirely, and not send them through to Brooklyn at all.

He wound up his statement thus: "I have already stated that I am in favor of the dual system and I have understood that a majority of the Board of Estimate and Appointment have stated privately that they were in favor of the dual system. I do not understand why it is not possible for them to say so publicly and officially rather than to charge their inability so to declare themselves to the alleged delays of another board. If private statements of any official in favor of the dual plan are contingent upon promises to either company the sooner the public is fully informed the better."

carry out its part of the programme arranged for both companies. The city is now able, he said, to spend \$100,000,000 on subways. The whole cost might be \$130,000,000, and this extra thirty millions would easily be taken up in the increase of taxable values in the course of the next five years through which subway construction must extend.

A letter from Mr. Wilcox was produced yesterday which went to show that last March the chairman thought that the details of the dual system should be worked out and agreed upon before contracts were entered into with an operating company.

At the office of the Interborough it was said that the delay in accepting the subway offer had got on J. P. Morgan's nerves and that the money situation is not good and that it seems to be getting worse partly on account of the campaign. Mr. Shorts had received definite promises from Mr. McAneny that the Board of Estimate would act and yet it has not done so. It was pointed out that Mr. McAneny need not be alarmed about the possibility of the B. R. T.'s drawing out after the Interborough offer had been accepted because the Interborough could be forced in accordance with its contract to operate such lines as the city wanted it to.

"And then there is this further point," said the spokesman for the Interborough. "By the terms of the B. R. T. offer it is to get 1 per cent. on its money in addition to whatever interest it has to pay. We are allowed 1 per cent. plus 5 per cent. And I don't believe we will always be able to get our money for that. I figure that the difference to us will be about \$175,000, as compared with the B. R. T."

NO FEAR FOR NEW ORLEANS.

But the City Would Like Aid in Passing the Newlands Bill.

The following despatch from M. B. Trezevant, secretary of the New Orleans flood relief committee and the New Orleans Progressive Union, was received yesterday by the Chamber of Commerce:

The city of New Orleans is absolutely unaffected by the floods in the Mississippi Valley, though a number of parishes of the State of Louisiana have been inundated and the floods have therefore wrought damage outside of the city. New Orleans is herself alleviating distress with contributions of money, clothing and bedding and the Government with rations and the State militia aiding in rescue work. No levees within a hundred miles of New Orleans have been broken, and all stories that the city is under water are the wildest sort of irresponsible canards.

The United States, the State and city engineers agree that New Orleans will safely pass through the crisis and that the worst is now over. The greatest damage is the farmers' loss of opportunity to make crops, and we are now working out a plan to begin the reconstruction of our agricultural districts affected as soon as the waters recede.

New Orleans, because of its peculiar defensive strength, is the safest city in the Mississippi, Ohio or Missouri valleys, despite the fact that Louisiana must protect herself from the flood waters of some thirty other States. This should be the duty of the National Government by a broad and sane system of conservation at the headwaters, such as is contemplated in the Newlands River Regulation bill.

Why should Louisiana spend millions of dollars annually to protect herself from the waters which come from nearly two-thirds of the Union? Louisiana has spent \$50,000,000 out of the public treasury and private individuals and railroads millions more for levee protection since the civil war. We earnestly urge the citizens of the United States and particularly the newspapers to give us the only outside aid we ask, that is, discredence of these alarmist stories and support of the Newlands River Regulation bill, which will help the floods and force them to serve instead of to destroy.

Architects for Post Office Removal.

The New York chapter of the American Institute of Architects will be represented in the delegation that will go to Washington on Tuesday, May 21, to be present at a hearing on the O'Gorman bill for the relocation of the post office site to the city and the purchasing of a site elsewhere.

Miss Elizabeth Seton Pierce, daughter of the Rev. Dr. Robert F. Pierce, pastor of the Second Avenue Baptist Church, will be married to Henry Trumbower Fielding, son of the Rev. James Fielding of Scranton, Pa., on Wednesday at the home of her parents in Plainfield, N. J. After the ceremony there will be a reception at the parlors of the Second Avenue Baptist Church.

Tibetans Burn Chinese.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 11.—News was brought to-day by the Sanuki Maru, a rioting against Chinese at Lhasa, the capital of Tibet. The reports said that during the riots many Chinese were roasted alive.

DECEIVED BY SO-CALLED SUPERFLUOUS HAIR "CURES"

Famous Doctors Charge Deception.

A number of eminent physicians recently made independent and exhaustive tests of the various depilatories and unanimously decided that with one exception, they did not operate on the right principle, neither were they made of the proper ingredients, therefore could not accomplish the purpose for which they were intended.

Tests also proved that these preparations were actually injurious. While no perceptible harm was noticeable with the use of the depilatory, the real injury manifested itself after more frequent and continued use. Furthermore, it was demonstrated that when the surface hair was removed by the depilatory, it grew out more rapidly, coarser and stiffer than before, consequently rendering each subsequent removal more difficult.

It is astonishing and surprising that women will take the risk of disfigurement by using unknown and uncertain means for removing superfluous hair. In spite of all warning, it seems that some are always willing to make "one more try," not stopping to consider that in using these worthless depilatories, it will be only a question of time before they will have to resort to the use of the razor, because eventually the hair will become so coarse that no preparation will be strong enough to remove it without ruining the skin.

SUNSHINE BRINGS JOY TO FLOOD SUFFERERS

Storm Ends and Word Comes
That Not Another Levee Has
Yet Given Way.

HARD WORK WINS THE DAY

Citizens in Desperate Battle to
Keep the Waters From Fur-
ther Inroads in the South.

NEW ORLEANS, May 11.—Despite the fact that a vast area in Louisiana is under water from five to twenty feet deep and that suffering in many sections is intense today was one of good cheer throughout the State. When a bright sunshine succeeded last night's storm and it was found that not a single levee had given way the satisfaction was great and it was admitted on all sides that most of the dikes had withstood the greatest test to which they possibly could be put.

At Baton Rouge, New Roads and other danger points almost superhuman efforts were required to save the levees. Worn out by the struggle negro laborers in some sections threw down their shovels and started for places of safety, but were forced back at the points of revolvers and rifles. A good example was set by white men who labored desperately to help hold back the waters. Hurried measures for safety were taken this morning and aid was sent to every threatened point. New Orleans rushed 10,000 sacks to a weak spot near Morganza, and even Baton Rouge depleted its store of sandbags to help prevent another crevasse in the sugar country.

At Conrad's Point, seven miles below Baton Rouge, about Allen and at Freshen, twenty miles above New Orleans, weak places were repaired and are receiving attention.

An effort will be made to tie up the ends of the Torras crevasse, which has widened until it is 3,000 feet in length. Engineers began work Friday morning. Sheets of canvas, weighted with chains and other heavy pieces of metal, will be laid over each end of the crevasse.

Another break 300 feet wide on Bayou Des Glaises occurred to-day which puts the whole town of Moreauville under water. Practically the entire levee from Moreauville to Long Bridge has gone under. A few strips remain, but the water is rushing over them, and it is only a question of hours when a solid sheet of water five or six miles in width will be pouring into the fertile Bayou Jack and Bayou Choupique country.

The country around Vidalia is rapidly filling up with water and that section is contributing vast numbers to the already crowded refugee camps.

Word reached New Roads this morning that those marooned at Batchelor are looting the houses and stores to secure food.

BLACK HANDER SENTENCED.

Supposed Head of Gang in Queens Gets From 7-12 to 15 Years.

Reporting of having pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with blackmail, Ernesto Benincaso, 35 years old, of 125 Washington street, Flushing, said by the police to be the head of the Black Handers in Queens, tried to persuade Judge Humphrey that he was innocent when arraigned for sentence yesterday in the Queens County Court. Judge Humphrey had him write a letter from dictation, and on comparison the handwriting was found to correspond exactly with the letter Benincaso had written which had been received by the family of Joseph Caranore of Jamaica and by Italians in Queens.

"How long have you been a member of the Black Hand?" Judge Humphrey asked.

"I never was a member," the prisoner replied.

"You made Miss Caranore place her hand on a marble slab and take an oath and then you compelled her to give you money in return for a dagger and a leather medal to protect her from the Black Hand?" continued the court.

"I gave her the medal and dagger," the prisoner said, "but I never took any money from her."

Judge Humphrey then showed him a letter received from the Caranore family, which said that unless \$2,000 was paid to a man carrying a basket on the Queensboro Bridge Caranore's daughter would be killed and his body thrown into the river. When asked why he admitted the other day that he wrote the letter Benincaso replied he was confused at the time. Benincaso also told the court that one of the detectives said he would fix him.

"Well, I'm going to fix you," said Judge Humphrey. "Not because of what the letter said, but because I consider you a bad man, and I sentenced the prisoner to from seven to fifteen years and six months to fifteen years in Sing Sing."

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